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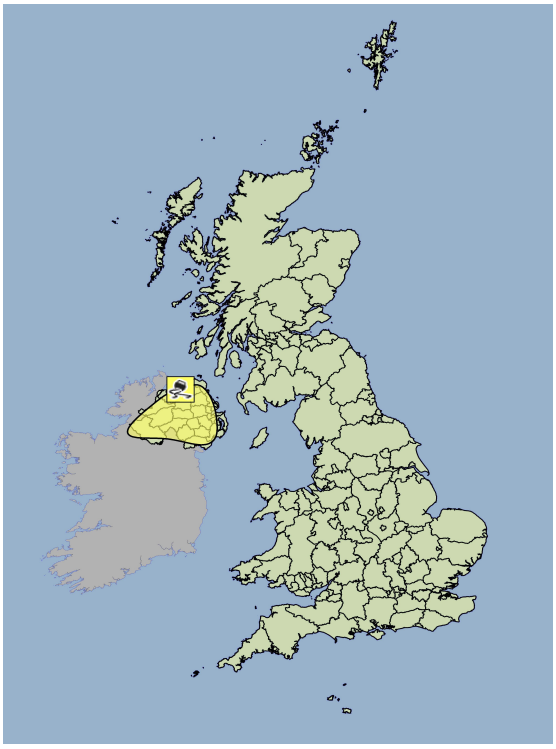

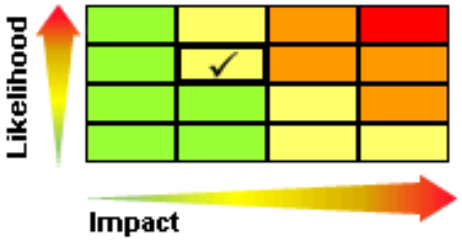

Chief Forecasters Assessment
Showers running swiftly across the region on strong to gale force westerly winds will fall as a wintry mix of rain, sleet, snow and some hail. These will continue into Thursday evening and overnight into Friday, before dying out from the west during Friday morning ahead of a new low pressure system developing in the Atlantic. Some wash-off of road treatment is possible with re-freezing increasing the risk of icy stretches.

The Met Office have issued a **Yellow Warning** of **Ice**

Valid from **17:00 on Thu, 19th Dec 2013** until **09:00 on Fri, 20th Dec 2013**

A cold westerly airstream will bring further wintry showers across Northern Ireland through Thursday evening and overnight into Friday morning. As road temperatures fall after dark this will lead to an increasing risk of icy stretches, especially on higher ground. In addition these showers will lead to some accumulations of snow, mainly on ground above 200 m where 2-5 cm may accumulate. Some temporary slight falls are possible at lower levels in the heavier showers.
Drivers should be aware of the possibility of difficult driving conditions and minor disruption to travel.

For more details please go to:
http://www.metoffice.gov.uk/public/weather/warnings

Issued by the Met Office at 14:57 on Thu, 19th Dec 2013

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